

COMPLETE VERSION OF ALL PENDING CLAIMS

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- (Amended) A veterinary composition for the treatment of animal pruritis comprising:
 a) a therapeutically effective amount of at least one polypeptide with a terminal sequence
 KPV (SEQ ID NO:1); and
 - b) a shampoo
- 2. (Amended) The veterinary composition of claim 1 wherein the at least one polypeptide with a terminal sequence KPV (SEQ ID NO:1) is selected from a group consisting of KPV, VPK-Ac-CC- Ac-KPV, HFRWGKPV (SEQ ID NO:3), SYSMEHFRWGKPV (SEQ ID NO:4), or a biologically functional equivalent of any of the foregoing.
- 3. The veterinary composition of claim 1 wherein the shampoo is selected from the group consisting of clear liquid, liquid cream, solid cream, oil, and powder shampoos.
- 4. (Amended) A method of treating animal pruritis comprising:
- a) administration of a therapeutically effective amount of at least one polypeptide with a terminal sequence KPV (SEQ ID NO:1); and
 - b) administration via a shampoo
- 5. (Amended) The method of claim 4 wherein the at least one polypeptide with a terminal sequence KPV is selected from a group consisting of KPV (SEQ ID NO:1), VPK-Ac-CC-Ac-KPV, HFRWGKPV (SEQ ID NO:3), SYSMEHFRWGKPV (SEQ ID NO:4), or a biologically functional equivalent of any of the foregoing.

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- 6. The method of claim 4 wherein the shampoo is selected from the group consisting of clear liquid, liquid cream, solid cream, oil, and powder shampoos.
- 7. (Amended) A veterinary composition for the treatment of animal pruritis comprising:
 a) a therapeutically effective amount of at least one polypeptide with a terminal sequence
 KPV (SEQ ID NO:1);
 - b) a shampoo; and
 - c) a therapeutically effective amount of an anti-inflammatory agent.
- 8. (Amended) The veterinary composition of claim 7 wherein the at least one polypeptide is selected from the group consisting of KPV (SEQ ID NO:1), VPK-Ac-CC-Ac-KPV, HFRWGKPV (SEQ ID NO:3), SYSMEHFRWGKPV (SEQ ID NO:4), or a biologically functional equivalent of any of the foregoing.
- 9. The veterinary composition of claim 8 wherein the shampoo is selected from the group consisting of clear liquid, liquid cream, solid cream, oil, and powder shampoos.
- 10. The veterinary composition of claim 7 wherein the anti-inflammatory is a glucocorticoid.
- 11. The veterinary composition of claim 10 wherein the glucocorticoid is selected from the group consisting of beclomethasone diproprionate, betamethasone, cortisone, dexamethasone, fluocinonide, hydrocortisone, methypredinisolone, prednisolone, prednisone, and triamcinolone.
- 12. The veterinary composition of claim 7 wherein the anti-inflammatory agent is a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug.

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- 13. The veterinary composition of claim 12 wherein the non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug is selected from the group consisting of acetylsalicylic acid, diflusinal, fenoprophen calcium, ibuprophen, indomethacin, meclofenamate sodium, naproxen sodium, phenylbutazone, piroxicam, sulindac, and tolmetin sodium.
- 14. (Amended) A method of treatment of animal pruritis comprising:
- a) an administration of a therapeutically effective amount of at least one polypeptide with a terminal sequence KPV (SEQ ID NO:1);
- b) an administration of a therapeutically effective amount of an anti-inflammatory agent; and
 - c) an administration of a shampoo.
- 15. The method of treatment in claim 14 wherein the at least one polypeptide with an terminal sequence KPV is selected from a group consisting KPV (SEQ ID NO:1), VPK-Ac-CC-Ac-KPV, HFRWGKPV (SEQ ID NO:3), SYSMEHFRWGKPV (SEQ ID NO:4), or a biologically functional equivalent of any of the foregoing.
- 16. The method of treatment in claim 14 wherein the anti-inflammatory agent is a glucocorticoid.
- 17. The method of treatment in claim 16 wherein the glucocorticoid is selected from consisting of beclomethasone diproprionate, betamethasone, cortisone, dexamethasone, fluocinonide, hydrocortisone, methypredinisolone, prednisolone, prednisone, and triamcinolone.
- 18. The method of treatment in claim 16 wherein the anti-inflammatory agent is a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug.

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- 19. The method of treatment in claim 18 wherein the non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug is selected from the group consisting of acetylsalicylic acid, diflusinal, fenoprophen calcium, ibuprophen, indomethacin, meclofenamate sodium, naproxen, phenylbutazone, piroxicam, sulindac, and tolmetin sodium.
- 20. The method of treatment in claim 14 wherein the shampoo is selected from the group consisting of clear liquid, liquid cream, solid cream, oil, and powder shampoos.
- 21. (Amended) A veterinary composition for the treatment of animal pruritis comprising:a) a therapeutically effective amount of at least one polypeptide with a terminal sequenceKPV (SEQ ID NO:1);
 - b) a shampoo; and
 - c) a therapeutically effective amount of an antibiotic.
- 22. (Amended) The veterinary composition of claim 22 wherein the at least one polypeptide is selected from the group consisting of KPV (SEQ ID NO:1), VPK-Ac-CC-Ac-KPV, HFRWGKPV (SEQ ID NO:3), SYSMEHFRWGKPV (SEQ ID NO:4), or a biologically functional equivalent of any of the foregoing.
- 23. The veterinary composition of claim 22 wherein the shampoo is selected from the group consisting of clear liquid, liquid cream, solid cream, oil, and powder shampoos.
- 24. The veterinary composition of claim 22 wherein the antibiotic is selected from the group consisting of quinalones, penicillins, lincomides, β-lactam inhibitors, cephalosporins, aminoglycocides, and tetracyclines.

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25. (Amended) A method of treatment of pruritis in animals consisting of:

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- a) administration of a therapeutically effective amount of at least one polypeptide with a terminal sequence KPV (SEQ ID NO:1);
 - b) administration a shampoo; and
 - c) administration of a therapeutically effective amount of an antibiotic.
- 26. (Amended) The method of treatment of claim 26 wherein the at least one polypeptide is selected from the group consisting of KPV (SEQ ID NO:1), VPK-Ac-CC-Ac-KPV, HFRWGKPV (SEQ ID NO:3), SYSMEHFRWGKPV (SEQ ID NO:4), or a biologically functional equivalent of any of the foregoing.
- 27. The method of treatment of claim 26 wherein the shampoo is selected from the group consisting of clear liquid, liquid cream, solid cream, oil, and powder shampoos.
- 28. The method of treatment of claim 26 wherein the antibiotic is selected from the group consisting of quinalones, penicillins, lincomides, β-lactam inhibitors, cephalosporins, aminoglycocides, and tetracyclines.
- 29. (Amended) A veterinary composition for the treatment of animal pruritis comprising:
- a) a therapeutically effective amount of at least one polypeptide with a terminal sequence KPV (SEQ ID NO:1);
 - b) a shampoo; and
 - c) a therapeutically effective amount of an antifungal.
- 30. (Amended) The veterinary composition of claim 30 wherein the at least one polypeptide is selected from the group consisting of KPV (SEQ ID NO:1), VPK-Ac-CC-Ac-

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KPV, HFRWGKPV (SEQ ID NO:3), SYSMEHFRWGKPV (SEQ ID NO:4), or a biologically functional equivalent of any of the foregoing.

- 31. The veterinary composition of claim 30 wherein the shampoo is selected from the group consisting of clear liquid, liquid cream, solid cream, oil, and powder shampoos.
- 32. The veterinary composition of claim 30 wherein the antifungal is selected from the group consisting of itraconazole, econazole, ketoconazole, miconazole and fluconazole.
- 33. (Amended) A method of treatment of pruritis in animals consisting of:
- a) administration of a therapeutically effective amount of at least one polypeptide with a terminal sequence KPV (SEQ ID NO:1);
 - b) administration a shampoo; and
 - c) administration of a therapeutically effective amount of an antifungal.
- 34. (Amended) The method of treatment of claim 34 wherein the at least one polypeptide is selected from the group consisting of KPV (SEQ ID NO:1), VPK-Ac-CC-Ac-KPV, HFRWGKPV (SEQ ID NO:3), SYSMEHFRWGKPV (SEQ ID NO:4), or a biologically functional equivalent of any of the foregoing.
- 35. The veterinary composition of claim 34 wherein the shampoo is selected from the group consisting of clear liquid, liquid cream, solid cream, oil, and powder shampoos.
- 36. The method of treatment of claim 34 wherein the antifungal is selected from the group consisting of itraconazole, econazole, ketoconazole, miconazole and fluconazole.

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